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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of  
KLOPP et al. )      **BOX PCT**  
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner of  
Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, kindly amend the above-identified application as follows: